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In re application of

Gary J. BECKER

Division of S.N. 09/094,402

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EXPANDABLE INTRALUMINAL
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#7A
Alvarez
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend
the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 3, insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

A
This application is a division of copending applica-
tion Serial No. 09/094,402, filed June 10, 1998.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

Page 2, line 13, change "It" to --In--

Page 3, between lines 24 and 26, insert the following
heading:

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--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Page 8, line 26, change "I" to --In--

Page 11, line 20, change "posses" to --possess--;

between lines 25 and 27, insert the following
heading:

a3

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.

Page 12, between lines 11 and 13, insert the following
heading:

a4

--DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.

Page 13, line 13, cancel "I-I";

line 14, change "A-H" to --2A-2H--.

Page 15, line 25, change "0,14" to --0.14--;

line 26, change "0,11" to --0.11--.

Page 18, line 22, change "elemnets" to --elements--.

Respectfully submitted,

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